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Applicant : William R. Wheeler et al. Art Unit : 2123  
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Title : UNIFIED DESIGN PARAMETER DEPENDENCY MANAGEMENT METHOD AND APPARATUS

**BOX MISSING PARTS**  
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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application under 37 CFR §1.53(b) mailed December 7, 2001 (copy enclosed), applicant as a large entity submits herewith the following:

- Payment of the basic filing fee of \$740;
- Payment of the additional independent/dependent claims fees of \$174;
- Check in payment of \$130 surcharge for filing the basic filing fee and/or declaration on a date later than the filing date of the application; and
- Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney in compliance with 37 CFR §1.63;

It is understood that this perfects the application and no additional papers or filing fees are required. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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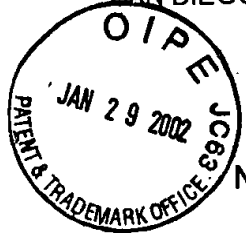
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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 740 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).*
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$174.
  - \$90 for 5 total claims over 20.
  - \$84 for 1 independent claims over 3 .
- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 1044.**

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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